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W. J. Thomas Now the Only Survivor of the Diamond Accident.

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Mr. W. J. Thomas, the select councilman from the Fourth ward, is now the last survivor of the terrible accident that occurred on the twenty-first day of March, 1868. It will be remembered that seventeen robust miners left their happy homes on that memorable morning, little thinking that the ma-jority of them were then wending their way to their final goal on earth. They mind, reached the head of the shaft between Each in his branch a fair proficience six and seven o'clock in the morning, and a few minutes later entered the carriage in buoyant spirits. The engineer signalled the footman, who was stationed at the foot of the shaft, that the carriage was being lowered, and it was started downward on its Ill-fated course, on to a depth of one hundred and eighty feet below the surface. Alas! before they had descended many feet one of the links of the main chain of the rope to which the carriage was attached broke, and seventeen noble souls were hurled to the bottom with the velocity of an unbridled cyclone. The men realized their perilous position at once; they knew that they were de-



W. J. THOMAS. scending at a furious speed. They were powerless and nothing could be done, They prepared themselves the best they could to meet the frightful inevitable. It came with a tremendous crash that could be heard all over the mines -a crash that shattered the happy homes of thirteen brave miners, and made fatherless many little innocent souls. It was a heartrending scene. When assistance came to the rescue, it was discovered that several souls had already taken flight to their eternal homes, and while the thirteenth was conveyed to his home his soul also took its final farewell. Only four were left to tell the frightful tale-W. J. Thomas, the present honest and able select conncilman from the Fourth ward; Hosie Davies, who died several years afterwards, and John G. Jones and Owen Haggerty, both of whom died recently, thus leaving Mr. Thomas the only survivor of the terrible catastrophe. These four unfortunate men were badly shattered and were incapacitated for many months from doing any work, Dowlais choir leader. and even Mr. Thomas was so terribly injured, that had it not been for expert medical attention, and the magnificent nursing of a devoted wife, he also, would have fared the same fate as his more unfortunate companions. He was confined to His worse injuries were of an internal nature, although he had to wear knee caps and also have his body bandaged for several years afterwards in order to give the necessary strength to pursue his daily occupation; and even now, in cold weather, he suffers pain in his limbs from the effects of the terrible accident, but he still works in the mines. Being a prominent citizen of the West Side, and a leading councilman, it would not be out of place to give a short sketch of his career since he arrived in this country thirty-six years ago. He has always worked in the mines. He was born at Merthyr Tydvil in the year 1843. came to this country in May 7, 1859. His first American home was at Dover, N. J. He remained there a few years, and you like best." then came to Scranton, where he has resided ever since. He married his wife, who is the daughter of the late Mr. Messech Weeks, a sturdy old citizen in his day, in May, 1864, and nine children have been born unto them. Three of the children are dead. They buried a bright and estimable son in October, 1896, in his seventeenth year, which caused the family much grief.

Mr. Thomas is very popular in and around the mines, and also in the ward in which he resides. He represents the Fourth ward in the present select councit and is distinguished for his unflinching integrity and great usefulness. He served a term also in the common council with the same distinction and honest purposes. "Bill" Thomas' (as he is familiarly called by his friends) word is as good as his bond, and woe to the man that approaches him on any matter having the slightest taint of crookedness. He is a rugged Republican and one of the noblest Welsh citizens of

THE VEN. ARCHDEACON PRYS. The Ven. Archdeacon Prys-for by that name he is best known in Wales, or Archdeacon Merwnydd-was born at Gerdi Bluog, in the parish of Clandecyn, in 1541. He was educated at St. John's college, Cambridge, and after having may be twenty years must clapse before received hely orders, was instituted to we shall see in Wales one strong theologithe rectory of Ffestiniog, 1572, was made Archdeacon of Meirconelhshire in 1576, and canon of St. Asaph in 1602. He was a learned divine, and a distinguished poet. He was the author of the metrical version of the Welsh six or eight years has been most remarkpsalms still in use; in the preface of able. The Calvinistic Methodists have Dr. Morgan's Bible the archdeacon is long since taken a practical step in throwmentioned as one who had greatly assisted in the first translation of the Bible into Welsh. It is said this version of the psalms was brought about in this way: In his time there was no collection of hymns for the use of churches, and to introduce singing to the service of his church he versified one psalm regularly for every time he had a Welsh service in his church until the whole were sung there before they were published. His version of the psalms were first printed in London in 1621. Archdeacon Prys was as well acquainted with the rules of Weish poetry as any man, and he says with regard to the texture and versification of our best poems, "No bards in any language ever surpasses the Welsh."

"Of all the tissues ever wrought

His poetical compositions are many, but so far preserved in manuscript, the most remarkable of which are in his poetical controversy with William Cynwal, of Pen Machno, consisting of 54

Prefixed to Dr. Davies' "Welsh Grammar," which is dedicated to the arch-deacon, are some elegant Latin verses by Prys in recommendation of the work, where he mentions that he was then 86 years of age. The verses are dated loss, and translated thus into English by the Rev. J. Walters, rector of Liandough, author of the "Welsh Archddeon Lion a Liwys; Gwir i'w and English Dictionary." They are as follows:

o Fwynwych Foes and Other Inter- Ye sons of fame, with every science fraught (One taught at Sens and one at Oxford taught),

Exert their skill our language to restore That used by bards in golden days of yore. Both these are doctors, and alike in name. The same their proper, and their sur the same, In Cambria's tongue both knowing, blest

with skill The critic's chair with dignity to fill.

Physicians both-both friends of human

One heals corporeal ills, and one the sickly Tho' Cambrian born, yet conversant

abroad, ne first, by daring novelty un-awed, Attempts our Ancient Alphabet to change. Our veteran troops beneath new banners

Still in his mind our language holds a place, The unacquainted with its parents race; His native tongue is ever at his heart, Tho' not well skilled in its poetic art; Whence he blind guides implicity obeys Still pressing on, unconscious that he

strays, ' attempt we honor and transmit to fame; We venerate his love, and glory in his

But in the last the ne'er abroad we find A more attentive, more discerning mind, Each deep recess of language he explores Nor rest below, but to the summit soars, His much lov'd Cambrians he conducts and brings

By paths direct to Salem's sacred springs:

ints out each stream on Grecia's learned And bids him drink where He had drunk before, Error's dark night, which erst involv'd

Too long the dupe of Rome's enslaving guile. He lends us light at once to chase away, And of fair truth restored the golden day. He gladly deigns his countrymen to teach, By well-weigh'd rules, the rudiments of That when the root, first, of our own we

The Hebrew tongue we thence may soon attain That, still desirous to improve our days, We, blessing God in Cambria's native

lays, May to the Saviour live, to Whom be endless praise.

What a noble society of learned Welshmen we are with, while reading the above lines. Dr. Sion Dafydd Rhys, the grammarian; Dr. John Mallwyd; Archdeacon Prys, of Meirloneth; and the Rev. J. Watters, M.A., the lexicographer and divine. Never were better four pillars of the venerable Welsh language grouped together.

NOTES.

Miss Hilda Wilson, the celebrated sing-er, is a niece of Mr. Hugh Waddle, of Lianelly.

During the late Dr. Morris' principalship of the Brecon Memorial college, close upon 250 ministers sat under his tuition.

The "Cerddor" for December contains, among other attractions, a character sketch of Mr. Harry Evans, the famous

Dafydd ab Gwilym, the great love poet of Wales, died 528 years ago, and in calling attention to the fact a writer in one of the Welsh weeklies remarks: "When we realize that his remains have been lying buried for the last five and a quarter centuries, it is strange that his language is so easily understood in the present century."

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The well-known Welsh missionary, the Rev. Bowen Rees, who has been laboring under the London Missionary society, at Inyati, Matabeleland, Central Africa, has

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(Isawel), the Rev. Elvet Lewis (Elved), Wateyn Wyn, Madame Marths Harries, the Rev. M. Morgans (Cross Hands), and the Rev. T. Johns (Llanelly).

The Scriptural injunction as to the absurdity of hiding one's light under a bushel is applicable to societies no less than to individuals. The Pontypridd Ladies' choir did well at Llanduans, for we have the testimony of the adjudicators that they ran the winners very close indeed. They did better at the Cardit exhibition elsteddfod, for there, under two of the same adjudicators as officiated at Llanduans, they wanguished the victors. The tables were entirely reversed, London taking second, and Pontyprid1 taking the premier position. Having thus demonstrated their superforfity in the competitive arena, the Ladies' choir from Pontypridd are courting success on concert platforms, and seem in a fair way of securing it. Many important engagements in English towns have been offered them, and tours are being arranged.

Eynon Davies fears that another ten or may be twenty years must chapse before we shall see in Wales one strong theological college for all the Nonconformist denominations. This seems a pessimistic view to take. Public opinion is surely, if not very rapidly, ripening in favor of such a combination, and the progress made in this direction during the last sky or eight years has been most remark.

not very rapidly, ripening in favor of such a combination, and the progress made in this direction during the last ing the doors of Bala to students of all sects. The amalgamation of Bala and Trefecca is merely a question of time. The resolve of the Carmarthen college anthorities to confine the curriculum of the institution to theology will help on the movement among the Congregationalists. while the Baptists find themselves als wate the Baptists find themselves also face to face with a "college question." the decision of which is being closely watched by all who desire to see the Nonconformist powers in Wales abandon-ing the will watch. ing the policy which dissipites their strength on small colleges, and concentrating their forces in the establishment of one strong and influential theological institute for the whole of the Princi-

Considerable disappointment is being expressed at the prospect of the Chief In-spectorship of Schools in Wales being handed over to an English churchman to On the Parnassian hill,
Fair Cambria's web, in art and thought, ent official now in the examination of
Displays the greatest skill,"

Welsh schools

SHERIFF'S SALE

Valuable Real Estate

FRIDAY, JANUARY 8th, 1897.

By virtue of sundry writs of Fieri Facias, Levari Facias and Venditioni Exponas, issued out of the court of common pleas of Lackawanna county, to me directed, I will expose to public sale by vendue or outery, to the highest and best bidders, for cash, at the court house, in the city of Scranton, Lackawanna county, on FRIDAY, the EIGHTH DAY OF JANUARY, A. D. 1837, at 10 oclock in the forenoon of said day, all the right, title and interest of the defendants in and to the following described lots, pieces or parcels of land, viz:

No. 1 .- All the right title and interest o

No. I.—All the right title and interest of the defendant, Thomas F. Waldron, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land with the messuages and tenements thereon erected, situate in the city of Scranton, county of Lackawanna and state of Pennsylvania, said lot being numbered three (3) in block forty-nine (49 in the Eighteenth ward of the city of Scranton and described as follows in a survey dated the 23rd of December, 1887, made by P. M. Walsh, civil engineer:

"Beginning at a corner on Fifth avenue, said corner being one hundred (100) feet southeasterly from the easterly corner of Fifth avenue and Fourth street; thence northeasterly along the line of lot numbered two (2) one hundred and fifty (50) feet to a corner; thence along line of lot numbered four (4) southwesterly one hundred and fifty (50) feet to a corner on Fifth avenue; and thence northwesterly along Fifth avenue fifty (50) feet to the place of beginning."

Being the same premises conveyed by

Being the same premises conveyed by F. W. Gunster and wife by deed dated Dec. 28, 1887, to Thomas F. Waldron, ell Improved with two (2) houses, one double two (2) story frame, the other single two (2) story frame, and a barn and outbuildings.

12) Story frame, and a barn and outbulldings.

Selzed and taken in execution at the suit of United Security Life Insurance and Trust company of Pennsylvania vs. Thomas F. Waldron. Debt. \$2,160.16. Judgment No. 508. November T, 1896. Lev. fa to January T, 1897.

WOODRUFF, Att'y. WOODRUFF, Att'y.

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No. 3.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Peter A. Aulbach, in and to all that certain piece or parcel of land situate in the city of Scranton, county of Lackawanna and state of Pennsylvania, being lot number ten (10) in block nur being lot number ten (10) in block number three (3) on the corner of Siebecker avenue as shown on the map of the Mountain Lake Land and Coal company, limited additions to Scranton, said lot being fifty (50) feet in front and rear and one hundred and fifty (150) feet deep. Coal and minerals reserved as the same are excepted and reserved as the same are excepted and re-served in the deed from Mountain Lake Land and Coal company, Imited, to Peter A. Aulbach, dated 21th of September, A. D., 1894, and intended to be duly recorded in recorder's office in and for Lackawanna county. Improved with one two story frame dwelling house, barn and outbuild-ing thereon.

January T. 1897.

H. E. HAND, Att'y.

under the London Missionary society, at:
Inyati, Matabeleland, Central Africa, has
been startived in Wales. W. H. Reese is at
present staying at the home of his youth
in Glamorganshire. During the last databe her rebellion the experience of Mr. and
Mrs. Reese were of exceptional peril and
Mrs. Reese were of exceptional peril and
One of the mothers appearing before
the Pembrey School Board recently for
the irregularity of her child, scored rather heavily over the members. Whas she
appeared on the scene, the Board too
hastly concluded that she was a monoglot, and presumed, in her hearing, that
she desired to speak in the vernacular,
"Just as you please," she answered, "either the will do for me. I will take whichever
you like best."

Mr. T. H. Thomas, R. C. A., of Cardif,
is one of the lecturers announced by the
Lianelly Cymmrodorion society for February next. This distinguished Welsh artilst takes for his subject "Celf Geltaidor"
(Darluniedig), Among other speakers and
entertainers from the present date to the
end of the session are the Rev. J. T. Job
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Ida Bauman, terre tenant. Debt, \$2,182.00. Judgment No. 605. November T, 1896. Lev, fa. to January T, 1897. T. F. WELLES, J. E. BURR, Att'ys.

ALSO

No. 7.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, William M. Jenkins and J. F. Bass, terre tenant, in and to those lois, pleces and parcels of land situate, lying and being in the Eliteenth ward of the city of Scranton, county of Lackawanna, and state of Pennsylvania, described as follows: Being lots Nos. forty-two (42) and forty-three (43), on plot of "Thomas Eynon's Addition to the Borough of Hyde Park," (now city of Scranton), and being together one hundred (100) feet in front on Eynon street, the same in rear, and one hundred and thirty-two (132) feet in depth. Being the same land conveyed to William M. Jenkins by Thomas Eynon and wife by deed dated October 19th, A. D. 1888, and recorded in the office for recording deeds, etc., in and for Luzerne county, in Deed Book No. 182, page 197, etc. Excepting and reserved, unto the sail coal and minerals beneath the surface of and belonging to said lots, with the sole right and privilege to mine and remove the same by any subterranean process incident to the business of mining, without thereby incurring in any event whatsoever any Hability for injury caused or damage or bereafter may be put thereon. Provided the process and of the surface of said lots or to the buildings or improvements which now are or bereafter may be put thereon. Provided the process in the process in the process in the surface of said lots or to the buildings or improvements which now are or bereafter may be put thereon. Provided the process in the process of the process incident to the business of mining, without thereby incurring in any event whatsoever any Hability for injury caused or damage or bereafter may be put thereon. Provided the process in the process incident to the business of the process incident to the defendant to the business of mining without the process in the process incident to the business of the process incident to the business of bullilings or improvements which now are or hereafter may be put thereon. Pro-vided that no mine or air shaft shall be intentionally opened or any mining fix-ture established on the surface of said premises.

All improved with a double dwelling house, a single dwelling house, and outhouse, a single dwelling house, and but-buildings.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Mary S. Norrman vs. William M. Jenkins, with notice to J. F. Bass, terre tenant. Debt. \$2,750. Judgment No. 1913. September T, 1896. Lev. fa. to January T, 1897. HAMILTON, Att'y.

ALSO

No. 8.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, A. Frothingham, in and to all the surface or right of soil of all those two certain lots of land situate in the city of Scranton, county of Lackawanna and state of Penrsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Heing lots Nos. 40 and 41, in block B, on Plot of Frothingham's Addition to the city of Scranton, said lots lying on the northerly side of Columbia avenue and being each 40 feet in front or width, the same in rear, rectangular in shape, and one hundred and forty five feet in depth to a public alley. Seized and taken in execution at the suit of John T. Porter, now assigned to James J. Healey, vs. A. Frothingham, Debt, \$250.00, Judgment No. 523, May T. 1895, Plurias Fl, fa, to January T, 1897, Also at the suit of John T. Porter, assigned to James J. Healey, vs. A. Frothingham, Debt, \$350.00, Judgment No. 524, May T, 1895, Plurias Fl, fa to January term, 1897.

ALSO

No. 2—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Jacob Kellerman, in and to all the surface or right of soil in and to the following lots, pleces or parcels of land, with the improvements thereon, situate in the Nineteenth ward, city of Scranton, state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: No. 1 being forty feet in front on Pittston avenue and 140 feet deep to an alley in rear sixteen feet wide for public use. No. 2 being three feet in front on Pittston avenue and 140 feet deep to an alley in the rear sixteen feet wide for public use, with the right to mine and remove the same by any subteranean manner.

All improved with a large two story frame dwelling house in front and two story frame dwelling house in rear and outbulldings.

Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Scranton Savings bank vs. Jacob Kellerman, Debt, \$3,339, Judgment No. 524, May T. 1895, Plurias RBPLOGLE, Att'y.

ALSO

No. 9.—All the right, title and interst of the defendant in and to all those certain lots or places of land situate in Dunmore, Lackawanna county, Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Being lots Nos. thirty-eight (38) and forty (49), bounded and described as follows: Being lots Nos. thirty-eight (38) and forty (49), on Galway street, in the borough of Dunmore, as per map in Pennsylvania company's office. Said lots are together one hundred (190) feet in front on Galway street, and extending at right angles to said street along Antrim street one hundred (190) feet in front on the west, along land of Pennsylvania Coal company and on the south by said Galway street. Coal and minerals reserved. All improved with a one story dwelling and other outbuildings thereon. Seized and taken in execution at the suit of P. C. Langan vs. John Hannon, Debt, \$3,339, Judgment No. 594, No. 19.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant in and to all those certai

No. 10.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, George E, Wedeman, and all the right, title and interest of Charles W. Dawson, assignee of said George E. Wedeman for the benefit of his creditors, as terre tenant, in and to all the following described lot of land, to wit:

All the surface or right of soil of all that certain piece of land, known on the Northern Coal and Iron company's map of lots as number nineteen, on Main street, Clinton Mines, (now Vandling), Fell township, Lackawanna county, Pennsylvania. Bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on Main street, corner of lot number twenty-one belonging to William G. Bowers, running north on the lie of said street fifty feet, turning at right angles, running along the line of lot seventeen, formerly owned by the said William G. Bowers, but now contracted to William T. Jones, one hundred and eighty-seven and nine-tenths feet to the line of the Hillside Coal and Iron company's land. Thence running along said line fifty-one and seven-tenths feet; thence turning again at right angles along the line of lot number twenty-one, two hundred and one and three-tenths feet to the place of beginning.

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No. 11,—All the right, title and interest of the defendants. Hannah Evans and Thomas B. Evans, in and to all that certain piece or parcel or tract of land situate in the First ward of the city of Scranton, county of Lackawanna and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Containing a front of 60 feet southwesterward on Wilbur street (formery Second street), bounded northwestward 184 8-10 feet by lot No. 74 on said Wilbur street northeastward 60 feet by land now or late of G. C. Genet, and southeastward 185 7-10 feet by lot No. 70, on said Wilbur street, Comprising lot No. 72 on said Wilbur street, Comprising lot No. 72 on said Wilbur street, as said lot is represented and designated on a map of building lots on land known as the Clark Mill property. Improved with a two story frame dwelling house, barn and out-buildings thereon, Being the same lot of land conveyed by deed made the 7th day of April, A. D., 1833, by C. S. Weston to Hannah Evans, as recorded in the proper office for the recording of deeds, etc., in and for the county of Lackawanna.

Selzed and taken in execution at the suit of Martha E. Howey vs. Hanna Evans and Thomas B. Evans. Debt. 81,19,00 Judg-

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of Citizens' Building and Loan associa-tion vs. Gaspare Abbatte, Debt. \$300.00, Judgment No. 520, January T, 1897. Ft. fa, to January T, 1897. WATSON & ZIMMERMAN, Att'ys.

ALSO

No. 18.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, C. L. Bell, in and to all the following described pieces or parcels of

ed lith June, 1891, and recorded in Deed Pennsylvania, being lots number one and two in square or block number two, and

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page 480, etc.

Excepting and reserving the coal and minerals beneath the surface of said lots

and one hundred and forty feet in depth along lot thirteen and rectangular. All improved with a two story frame dwelling house and other outbuildings thereon. Seized and taken in execution at the suit of Harmony Building and Loan association No. 2 vs. Malia Basoliga, Uhanda Basoliga and Peter Basoliga, terre tenant. Debt. \$2,260.60. Judgment No. 147. September T, 1895. Lev. fa. to January T, 1897.

ALSO

No. 17.—All the right, title and interest of the defendant, Gaspare Abbatte, in and to all that certain lot, plece or parcel of land situate. Iying and being in the borough of Jermyn, county of Lackawanna, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of lands of Joseph Trunis on: First avenue; thence running situate, lying and being in the borough of Jermyn, county of Lackawanna and described as follows: Beginning at the southeast corner of lands of Joseph Trunis on: First avenue; thence running at right angles to said First avenue east two hundred and eight (168) feet more or less, to the Lackawanna river; thence running along said river south to a point one hundred and eight (169) feet more or less, to a point on said First avenue eighty-seven (87) feet south from the first mentioned orner; thence running nearly west along other lands of the said city of Seranton. Said lot being rectangular in shape, forty (40) feet in width in front and rear, and one hundred and forty (140) feet in depth.

Being the same lot of land which Albert Zeam granted and conveyed to said Gasp of September, 1892, and recorded in the recorder's office of Lackawanna county, in Deed Book 90, page 505. Coal and minerals beneath the surface of said lot. All improved with a two story frame dwellings.

Excepting and reserving the coal and minerals beneath the surface of said lots as in said recited deed.

All improved with three stories double stores and dwelling said dwelling with cellar undereath the surface of said lots as friends.

as in said recited deed.

All improved with a two story frame dwelling with attic, 32x35, with two story kitchen attached, 16x20, with plazzas, cellar underneath whole house, furnace, hot and cold water, bath tubs and closets, electric lights throughout, and with Iron fence front and side.

Seventh—All those certain lots or pleces of land situate in the borough of Jermyn, county of Lackawanna, and state of Pennsylvania, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner of an alley and land of the Delaware and Hudson Canal company; thence in an easterly direction along said land of the Delaware and Hudson Canal company one hundred and forty (149) feet, more or less, to a corner on street known as Railroad street; thence in a northerly direction along land of the Ontario, Carbondale and Seranton Railroad company three hundred and forty (349) feet, more or less, to a corner; thence in a westerly direction twenty-five (25) feet, more or less, to a corner; there were the more or less, to a corner; thence in a westerly direction twenty-five (25) feet, more or less to a corner;



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